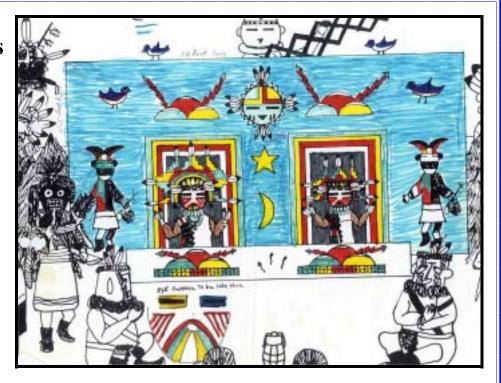
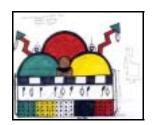
Palhikmanat (Water Maidens): The Maidens were suspected to be missing in 1997 after a suspicious fire only revealed remnants of the whole stage and the two maidens. Popularly described as "puppets", these ritual objects are important to the Katsina Society of Hotevilla Village.



Kooyemsi (Mudhead Puppet): These objects were discovered missing in the same fire at a home in Hotevilla Village in 1997. Investigation by law enforcement indicated that these objects may have been removed prior to the fire. The Kooyemsi includes a stage and is important to the Katsina Society of the village. ▼

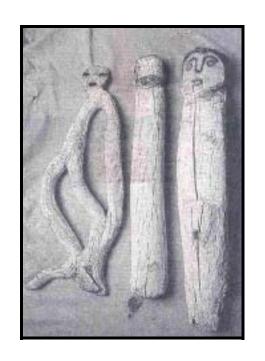














Taalawtumsi: Discovered missing in 1979 from an isolated cave near Second Mesa. These ritual objects belong to the Aalt (Two Horn Society) of the village of Songoopavi (Shongopavi). The loss of these objects has affected the initiation of new members into the society and also affected three other men's ritual societies.